

Remarks/Arguments:

The applicant would like to thank the examiner for the telephonic interview on May 5, 2008, in which the 112 rejection and the claims were discussed. The examiner stated that the 112 rejection of claims 21-30 would be withdrawn and the attorney for the applicant agreed to add features to the independent claims.

The above Amendments and these Remarks are in reply to the Final Office Action mailed April 15, 2008.

Claims 2, 3, 5-7, 12, 13, 15-17, 22, 23, 25, 26 and 27 are objected to because of informalities.

Claims 2, 3, 5-7, 12, 13, 15-17, 22, 23 and 25 - 27 have been amended to avoid the informality problem.

Claims 21-30 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph.

Claims 21-30 are believed to be definite.

Claims 1-30 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being anticipated by Narin et al., (U.S. Patent Publication No. 2004/0158709) in view of Microsoft Windows Media Player.

Claims 1, 11 and 21 have been amended to add the feature that “the displayed right indicating an IP address at which software associated with the one of the software licenses is locked, the access rules are used to determine whether to allow the member to change the IP address at which the owner of the software licenses is locked, and in response to member input, modifying the IP address at which the one of the software in response to member input is locked”.

This feature is not believed to be shown or made obvious by the cited prior art references.

In light of the above, it is respectfully submitted that all of the claims now pending in the subject patent application should be allowable, and a Notice of Allowance is requested. The Examiner is respectfully requested to telephone the undersigned if he can assist in any way in expediting issuance of a patent.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any underpayment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 06-1325 for any matter in connection with this response, including any fee for extension of time, which may be required.

Respectfully submitted,

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